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CORTES' RELEASE

ASKED FOR IN LIEU OF CLEMENCY EXTENDED MAC STEWART.

An Understanding Between the Mexican Officials and Legislative Committee.

Though not made as an official appeal from the Mexican government to the State of Texas, the suggestion has been made that the sentence of life imprisonment resting against Gregorio Cortes, the Mexican who is now imprisoned in the Huntsville penitentiary for the murder of Sheriff Glover of Gonzales county about five years ago, be remitted and the prisoner granted a pardon and deportation papers by Governor Lanham. However, the suggestion originated with no less an official than Governor Creel himself, the chief executive of the state of Chihuahua, republic of Mexico, and it is regarded as indicative of a desire on the part of the Mexican government officials that Texas reciprocate the action of the republic in pardoning Mac Stewart, the American who was serving a sentence similar to Cortes' in Parral prison.

Last year Cortes was sentenced to imprisonment for life after successive trials which dragged themselves through four years of the criminal history of Texas. The case was one of the most interesting in recent years, and throughout the length of its course it engaged the deep interest and attention of newspaper readers throughout the country. Feeling against Cortes, who was charged with the killing of two sheriffs and a posseman, ran very high for some time immediately following the triple tragedy, and he was once in danger of death by lynching.

Cortes was charged with horse-stealing, and was served with a warrant in Karnes county. Sheriff Morris proceeded to the home of Cortes' brother, where the alleged horse thief was at the time, and attempted to make the arrest. He was met by the brother, who resisted the arrest, and in the melee which followed the Mexican was killed. Cortes was in hiding on the place and shot Sheriff Morris, killing him instantly and thus avenging the death of his brother while at the same time escaping arrest.

He took refuge in Gonzales county at the home of a Mexican who had rented a farm on the place owned by Henry Schnabel. Here he was met by Sheriff Glover, who, with a posse, made an attempt to arrest the man who now had the two charges of horsetheft and murder resting against him. Both Glover and Henry Schnabel, who was a member of the posse, were killed with bullets from Cortes' Winchester.

After a chase which lasted about fifteen days the Mexican was at last taken near Laredo, the arrest being made by Ranger Rogers.

He was tried for three murders and convicted in each case, receiving the death penalty for the killing of each of the sheriffs, and

receiving a sentence of fifty years in the penitentiary for the murder of Schnabel. At Floresville, Wilson county, he was tried on the charge of horse theft, the offense which originated the trouble leading up to the murders, and on this charge he was convicted and assessed two years in the penitentiary.

The horse theft case was later appealed and a reversal secured, which has remained unchanged to this day.

Appeals were made on the murder cases, reversals secured in some instances, and for four years the trials were continued. At last he was convicted in Colorado county for the murder of Sheriff Glover and given a life imprisonment. Since his incarceration in the Huntsville penitentiary the affair has dropped from public notice, but it will be remembered as one of the most notorious cases in recent Texas history.—Houston Post.

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The Higher Test of Manhood.

Hon. Richard L. Metcalf, who is now on the staff of Bryan's Commoner, has written a very fine article for that paper on the above subject. It will do you good to read it.

The philosopher who asked, "take away ambition and vanity, and where, oh where, will be your heroes and patriots?" might have learned something to his advantage had he lived to read from the pen of the good Quaker poet:

'Dream not that helm and harness are signs of valor true; Peace hath higher tests of manhood than battle ever knew.'

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In this day when the world hears so much to the discredit of men, it will do it no harm to be reminded that 'the evil men do lives after them; the good is oft interred with their bones.' It will do men and women no harm to have their attention distracted

from the dark pictures of cruelty of passion and of man's inhumanity to man to the brighter views where sacrifices are made, where burdens are borne, where mighty obstacles are overcome—in many instances by frail men and delicate women—and all done in the name of that love that 'passeth all understanding.'

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SEC. HAY IS DEAD

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Newbury, N. H., July 1.—Secretary of State John Hay died at 12:25 o'clock this morning. The signs immediately preceding his death were those of pulmonary embolism. Mr. Hay's condition during all of Friday had been entirely satisfactory.

The bulletin of Secretary Hay's death was signed by Charles L. Scudder, M. D., and Fred T. Murphy, M. D.

Mrs. Hay and Drs. Scudder and Murphy were at the secretary's bedside when the end came. The secretary bade goodnight to his wife and to his attending physicians about 10 o'clock last night, at the close of one of the best days he has had since his illness. The local trouble was clearing up satisfactorily, according to Dr. Scudder. The secretary suffered none of the old pains in his chest, which characterized his earlier illness. He had been perfectly comfortable all day and happy in the anticipation of leaving his bed for the greater freedom and comfort of a couch.

At 11 o'clock he was sleeping quietly. A few minutes after 12 o'clock he called the nurse, who at once summoned Dr. Scudder and Dr. Murphy who hastened to the bedside. The secretary was breathing with difficulty and expired almost immediately afterward at 12:25.

John Hay was born at Salem, Ind., October 8, 1838, the son of Charles and Helen (Leonard) Hay. He was given a common school education at Warsaw, Ill., and graduated in 1858 from Brown university. In 1858 he had the degrees of A. M. LL.D. and the latter degree was afterward conferred upon him by Princeton, Yale and the Western reserves university. He was married in 1874 to Clara, daughter of Amasa Stone of Cleveland, Ohio. In 1861 he was admitted to the bar of Illinois at Springfield; from 1861 to 1865 he was the chief private secretary to President Lincoln and also saw service in the field, being given the title of brevet colonel of volunteers. From 1865 to 1870 he was in the diplomatic service, being secretary of the legations at Paris, Madrid and Vienna and charge d'affaires at Vienna; in 1879-1881 he was assistant secretary of state and then entered journalism, being editorial writer on the New York Tribune and also assistant to White-law Reid, the editor, in the editorial management of the paper. In 1897 he was sent to London as ambassador to the court of Great Britain, but was recalled in 1898 to become secretary of state which position he has since filled.

In literature Mr. Hay has made his mark as the author of "Pike County Ballads" and "Castilian Days" (1871); "Translation of Castile's Democracy in Europe"

(1872; "Abraham Lincoln," a history (with John G. Nicolay—1880); poems (1890) "Sir Walter Scott," an address (1897).

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Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an Execution issued out of the Honorable district court of Galveston county, on the 25th day of May, A. D. 1905, in the case of the J. S. Brown Hardware Co. versus B. E. Hail, No. 13428, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 10th day of June, A. D. 1905, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on the first Tuesday in August, A. D. 1905, it being the first day of said month, at the court house door of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which B. E. Hail had on the 15th day of October, A. D. 1887, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property-to-wit:

A certain tract of land containing seven hundred and eighty-nine (789) acres, being a part of the Jones J. Hail headright league.

Beginning at the S. W. cor. of a 500 acre survey out of said league made for Mrs. M. J. Hail on the S. E. boundary line of said league. Thence with said league line S. 55 W. 808 1/2 vrs. to corner on San Antonio road, the same being the Eastern corner of a four (4) acre tract out of said league made for A. P. Howell. Thence West with the San Antonio road 1475 vrs. to a corner on the Eastern boundary line of B. E. Hail's Survey. Thence N. 35 W. at 3124 vrs. to corner on the North boundary line of said league a red elm marked X. vrs. S. 36 E. 2 vrs. Thence East with the league line at 1757 vrs. to the N. W. corner of E. E. Hail's survey on said league line, two post oaks marked X. for corner. Thence S. 35 E. with E. E. Hail's line at 1290 vrs. a black jack marked X. vrs.—dist. Thence N. 55 E. 646 vrs. to the N. W. cor. of E. E. Hail's 500 acre survey cor. on Black Jack 9 inches in Dia. marked X., a P. O. marked X. vrs. N. 80 1/2 E. 4 vrs., a B. J. marked X. vrs. S. 26 E. 12 1/2 vrs. dist. Thence S. 35 E. with E. E. Hail's line 1522 vrs. to the place of beginning and being same tract sold by E. E. Hail to B. E. Hail by deed dated January 25th, 1884 and recorded in Vol. 6 page 435 Record of deeds of Houston county, Texas.

Also another tract about ten miles S. W. from the town of Crockett on the San Antonio road being a part of the Collin Aldrich Headright league and a part of the Mrs. R. L. Goodwin homestead tract and 196 acres more or less out of the 371 acres more or less conveyed by heirs of H. W. Goodwin deceased, on the 17th day of February, 1874, to Zenora B. Brunner and H. W. Goodwin and subsequently partitioned between Wm. W. Gressett then holding under Zenora B. Brunner and Hugh W. Goodwin by the county court when sitting for probate purposes and more fully described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the N. E. cor. of said Goodwin survey at stake. Thence S. 18 E. 1525 vrs. to stake on Bank of Caney creek, 2 small sweet gums marked X. for bearings. Thence down, with the meanders of said Creek to the mouth of said Creek to the N. W. cor. of the original survey and the N. W. boundary line of said league a Red Oak marked X. in bank of said Hallmark creek. Thence N. 55 E. with said league line 276 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 196 acres more or less.

Also one tract about 9 miles West from Crockett a part of the Collin Aldrich League bounded as follows: Beginning at the N. E. cor. of the H. W. Goodwin Survey. Thence S. 18 E. 1070 vrs. a stake 2 Post Oaks marked X. Thence S. 15 E. at 1225 vrs. stake on bank of Caney Creek 2 small sweet gums marked X. Thence up with meanders of said creek to East Boundary of original Survey 2 Pin Oaks marked X. Thence N. 35 W. with the original line of the said Goodwin Survey 2250 vrs to the place of beginning containing 17 1/2 acres more or less, the same being a part of the land conveyed to Zenora B. Brunner and H. W. Goodwin by the heirs of H. W. Goodwin dec'd and by H. W. Brunner and Zenora B. Brun-

ner to T. J. & J. W. Hail and by them to W. E. Hail and by him to B. E. Hail.

Also one other tract about 6 miles West from Crockett in said Houston county, Texas, a part of the Jones J. Hail league bounded as follows: Beginning at the S. E. corner of a 200 acre survey owned by John Shivers. Thence with the road leading toward Crockett N. 80 E. 865 vrs. corner, whence a Post Oak 2 ft. in dia. vrs. N. 5 W. 5 4-10 vrs. and a Red Oak 20 in. dia. N. 5 W. at 2268 vrs. the N. W. line of Jones J. Hail league Thence with line of same S. 55 W. 1058 vrs. to the N. E. corner of John Shivers survey. Thence with Shiver's line S. 35 E. at 1903 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 400 acres of land more or less.

Also one other tract about 5 miles S. 50 W. from Crockett in said Houston county, Texas, a part of the T. R. Townsend league bounded as follows:

Beginning at the S. E. corner of a 200 acre tract belonging to Cavelona Allbright from which a Post Oak marked X. vrs. W. 11 vrs. Thence N. 54 1/2 E. at 900 vrs. stake for corner whence a Black Jack marked X. vrs. S. 53 W. 4 vrs. and a Black Jack marked X. vrs. S. 85 W. 6 vrs. Thence N. 35 1/2 W. 1255 vrs. a corner on T. R. Townsend's league line whence a Sassafras marked X. vrs. N. 59 W. 8 vrs. Thence S. 54 1/2 with league line 900 vrs. to C. Fullwright's N. E. cor. Thence S. 35 1-10 E. 1255 vrs. to place of beginning, containing 200 acres more or less.

Also another tract of land situated in Houston county, Texas, about four (4) miles West from Crockett a part of the Jones J. Hail league bounded as follows:

Beginning at S. W. corner of G. B. Thompson's Survey a stake at the corner of his field. Thence S. 55 W. with the league line at 700 vrs. a stake for corner whence a P. O. 10 in. dia. marked X. vrs. S. 38 E. 5 vrs. and a red oak marked X. for bearings. Thence N. 35 W. at 1522 vrs. corner 2 Post Oaks marked X. for bearings. Thence S. 55 W. at 350 vrs. corner a Black Jack marked X. Thence N. 35 W. 1290 vrs. corner on league line a red elm marked X. vrs. S. 36 W. 2 vrs. and a P. O. marked X. for bearings. Thence East with said line at 1020 vrs. to corner of E. Gossett league a Post Oak marked J. H. X. Thence N. 55 E. with said league line 800 vrs. to corner of Collins & Wilson's Survey 2 Post Oaks marked X. Thence S. 35 E. with line of same at 917 vrs. to S. W. corner of same, a P. O. marked X. vrs. S. 50 W. 8 vrs. Thence S. 65 W. at 290 vrs. G. N. Thompson's N. W., a red oak marked X. for bearings. Thence S. 24 1/2 E. with Thompson's line at 1385 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 481 acres.

Also another tract in Houston county, Texas, one mile North from Crockett being a part of the A. E. Gossett league and bounded as follows:

Beginning at K. Murchison's N. W. corner. Thence with Thos. P. Collins North line 658 vrs. intersects the East boundary line of the Wm. White League. Thence N. 881 vrs. on said White line to the South bank of Milling Creek, a stake whence a walnut vrs. S. 71 W. 4 1/2 vrs. dist. Thence up said creek with its meanders to the mouth of what is known as Bent Branch. Thence up said Branch with its meanders to where the West boundary line of the Hall survey crosses said Branch. Thence S. 42 E. with said Hall line to the place of beginning, containing 160 acres more or less, excepting about 30 acres out of said tract formerly conveyed by K. L. Gossett to J. J. Woodson. All the last above described six (6) tracts of land conveyed by W. E. Hail to B. E. Hail, deed dated February 5th, 1884, and recorded in Vol. 6 page 563 Deed Records of Houston county, Texas, said land all being situated in Houston county, Texas.

Also another tract in Houston county, Texas, being a part of the Jones J. Hail league sold by George M. Smith to Benjamin E. Hail by deed dated 28th day of February, 1885; and recorded in Vol. (9) page 242 deed records of Houston county, Texas, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a stake at a branch

on the South boundary of said league. Thence S. 54 30' W. at 1854 1/2 vrs. to the S. W. cor. of said league from which a post oak marked X. vrs. N. 84 1/2 vrs. and a Post Oak marked X. vrs. N. 15 E. 11 1/2 vrs. Thence N. 35 30' W. 1522 1/2 vrs. to a corner on the Western boundary of said league from which a B. J. marked X. vrs. S. 88 E. 4 1/2 vrs. and a B. J. marked X. vrs. S. 31 1/2 W. 7 1/2 vrs. Thence N. 54 30' E. 1854 1/2 vrs. to corner stake from which a B. J. marked X. vrs. S. 34 E. 7 vrs. and a Black Jack marked X. vrs. S. 23 1/2 W. 8 1/2 vrs. Thence S. 35 30' E. 1522 vrs. with the meanders of the branch to the place of beginning, containing five hundred (500) acres.

Also all that land in Houston county, Texas, conveyed by Benjamin E. Hail to Henry Sayles of Galveston county as Trustee and to his substitute as provided by said B. E. Hail in and by Deed of Trust dated February 7th, 1885, and recorded in Vol. 4 pages 170, 171 & 172, Record of mortgages, trust deeds, etc. of Houston county, Texas as therein described and to which reference is here had and made for a better identification of said lands in addition to descriptions by metes and bounds herein above given any of said lands also all that land conveyed by B. E. Hail and wife to Robt. Bonnyfield and Henry Drier by Deed of Trust dated March 8th, 1884, and recorded in book 4 pages 98 to 102 inclusive records of deed of trust Houston county to which records and the deeds and reference therein contained reference is hereby made and had for better description and identification of said land hereby levied on, the same being situated in Houston county, Texas.

And also all that land in Houston county, Texas, conveyed by B. E. Hail and wife, N. J. Hail to Jesse W. Edmiston and Henry Sayles, trustees by deed of trust dated April 24th, 1885 and recorded in book No. 4. page 181 to page 188 inclusive records of trust deeds of Houston county, Texas, to which record and the descriptions therein contained and referred to is hereby referred to and made a part of this levy to better identify and describe said lands. Together with all and singular all improvements or appurtenances and to the same any wise incident belonging or appertaining. Said property pointed out to me by agent for Plaintiff in execution and levied by me on as the property of B. E. Hail. Said property being levied on as the property of B. E. Hail to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$1225.84, in favor of the J. S. Brown Hardware Co., and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 10th day of June, A. D. 1905.

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Johnson Brothers of this place, who own extensive orchards, shipped the first solid carload of peaches out of this place on the 14th, composed of the Mamie Ross and St. John varieties. Other cars have since been shipped and with in a short time the peach movement proper will begin.

HORTICULTURISTS SHOWN.

Exhibit of Flowers, Fruits and Other Products at Tyler.

Tyler, Texas, June 22.—The 200 eminent horticulturists representing business colleges, horticultural societies and like organizations of nine states, with twenty-three representatives of as many horticulturist publications in the United States, who went sightseeing down the Lufkin branch of the Cotton Belt today, returned here tonight at 10 o'clock, and were at once escorted to a large pavilion of fruits, flowers and the many varieties of products raised in this section, being exhibited by committees from the Linda e, Swan, Omen, Tyler and other Smith county points. A large gathering of people were there to greet them, and as they viewed the magnificent display of eleven varieties of wholesome peaches, canned goods of home product and dozens of other fine varieties of fruit and vegetables, products of this county, they seemed amazed at the sight and many declared the display to be the most wonderful. The ladies of Tyler with sweet music entertained the guests for a time, after which a banquet was tendered the Northern excursionists and a hundred or more delegates here from different points of Texas, to attend the session of the Texas Fruit and Truck Growers' Association which convenes here tomorrow. The night trains will bring many more delegates and visitors to the city.

CONSIGNED ONIONS.

Laredo Shippers Have Lots of Complaints of the Returns.

Laredo, Texas, June 19.—The complaint has been almost general among the onion growers of Webb county over the manner in which their carload shipments to different cities, have been handled by the commission houses to which they were consigned. Many carloads, after deducting freight, only brought 30 cents for fifty pound crates. In one instance a carload of 487 crates consigned to Pittsburg, Pa., after deducting the cost of freight and crates and commission, only left \$3 to the shipper. Next season the onion men will employ an agent to go to the principal markets and handle the crop.

Hempstead's First Melons. Hempstead, Texas, June 19.—The first car of watermelons to be shipped from this point this season is being loaded here today. The car will contain 1,400 melons, averaging about 20 pounds each. A price of \$170 has been put upon the car by the loader, and if he fails to get this price he will accompany the car to Houston and sell out to the dealers there.

The melon crop, which was at first estimated at 1,000 cars, will be considerably shorter on account of the unfavorable weather that the crop has had. Only about 750 cars will be shipped from this point.



LASTING RELIEF.

J. W. Walls, Superintendent of streets of Lebanon, Ky., says:

"My nightly rest was broken, owing to irregular action of the kidneys. I was suffering intensely from severe pains in the small of my back and through the kidneys and annoyed by painful passages of abnormal secretions. No amount of doctoring relieved this condition. I took Doan's Kidney Pills and experienced quick and lasting relief. Doan's Kidney Pills will prove a blessing to all sufferers from kidney disorders who will give them a fair trial."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., proprietors. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Sometimes a woman who is a slave to fashion marries a man who is averse to the encouragement of slavery.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 3-4 pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again, because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

A dog trained for war purposes, and attached to a German regiment, has "deserted." It made its way into France, where it was arrested.

Profits of the Packers.

There has been a great deal of disappointment because the Garfield report shows that the profits of the packing industry only amount to about two per cent of the volume of business transacted. There is no doubt, however, that the report is correct.

The census reports compiled by the government in 1900, before the agitation regarding the "beef trust" began, throw considerable light on this question. It appears from the census that the packing industry is conducted on a smaller margin of gross profit than any other industry in America. The gross margin of profit of \$71 flour and grist mills in Illinois, in the census year, was nearly seven per cent on the volume of business. The gross margin of \$75 one wholesale slaughtering and meat packing establishments in Illinois was only about one-third as large, or a little more than two per cent on the volume of business.

The millers have not been accused of being in a "trust" and combinations would seem impossible in a business where there are several thousand mills in the United States competing actively for the flour trade, but it appears that the gross profits of the millers are larger than the gross profits of the packers. It may turn out that the agitation regarding the packing industry will show the same result as the devil found in shearing the pig: "All squeal and no wool."—*American Homebody*.

Silliness—Two can live as cheaply as one. Cynicism—Yes, there's no alimony.

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Millions of the world's best people use Cuticura Soap, assisted by Cuticura Ointment, the purest and sweetest of emollient skin cures, for preserving, purifying and beautifying the skin, for cleansing the scalp of crusts, scales and dandruff, and the stopping of falling hair, for softening, whitening and soothing red, rough and sore hands, for baby rashes, itchings and chafings, and many sanative, antiseptic purposes which readily suggest themselves to women, especially mothers, as well as for all the purposes of the toilet, bath and nursery.

Addressed on the gummed side, a postage stamp, says the Dundee Advertiser, has been delivered at Fife, Scotland, as a letter.

Women Not Artists.

During the last hundred years in France and England the education of women has been more artistic than that of men. For more emphasis is put upon music and drawing in girls' schools than in the corresponding institutions for their brothers. And yet Galton found, in investigating nearly 900 cases, that 28 per cent males and 33 per cent females showed artistic tastes. In spite of the larger opportunity which the modern woman has to develop her artistic faculties, the results in the two sexes are practically the same.

To Clean White Suede Gloves.

White suede gloves may be cleaned by using dry pipeclap and a toothbrush. Put the clay on the gloves, then wet it, and rub vigorously with the toothbrush. Then rinse out the brush with clean water, and scour the cloth with clean water.

Chinese Rice Farmers.

At the ordinary price of two cents a pound for rice, the Chinese rice farmers make money on about the same scale as would American farmers in the Mississippi valley producing wheat at eighty cents a bushel in Chicago.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

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It is natural when a woman is dressed to kill that she cuts the other woman dead.

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won't shake out or blow out, by using Defiance Starch you obtain better results than possible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

Things may only seem to taste better to longnecked men because they taste longer.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds. N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove N. J. Feb. 17, 1900.

It is often better to branch out for yourself than to depend upon a family tree.

When a fellow has a difference with his best girl, it's just as well to split the difference.

Stockings first came into use in the eleventh century. Before that time it was customary to swathe the feet with bandages.

Amazing.

It is amazing how many mothers will give their children medicines containing violent and dangerous drugs for bowel and stomach disorders, when better results, with absolute safety, can be obtained by the use of a pure, pleasant, harmless remedy like Dr. Caldwell's (Laxative) Syrup Pepsin. Try it at once. Sold by all druggists at 50c and \$1.00. Money back if it fails.

Orator—Man's inhumanity to man makes countless mill—mill— Auditor—Millionaires.

It Matters Not.

"No matter the name; no matter the place, if you are afflicted with that intolerable, often excruciating itching sensation, you want a cure and want it quick.

Hunt's Cure is infallible, never failing remedy. It cures. Only 50c per box and strictly guaranteed.

Quit thinking of yourself to the exclusion of everything and everyone else.

FITS permanently cured. No fit or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. King's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FIVE \$3.00 trial bottles and treatment. Dr. R. H. KILBY, Ltd., 981 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Thirteen may be an unlucky number, but one sewing machine and twelve phonographs will do the work of a dozen women.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children's teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

It is well enough to be sure you are right, but you will be a whole lot more comfortable if you don't insist on convincing other people of it.

The Rev. Edward Dunbar, who wrote the old Sunday school song, "There is a Light in the Window for Thee Brother," sleeps in a pauper's grave at Coffeyville, Kan., where he died a tramp in the town jail twelve years ago.

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When buying loose coffee or anything your grocer happens to have in his bin, how do you know what you are getting? Some queer stories about coffee that is sold in bulk, could be told, if the people who handle it (grocers), cared to speak out.

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THE MONTHLY TRIAL

HEADACHE, DIZZINESS, BEARING-DOWN PAINS.

A Woman Tells How She Has Become Well and Strong after Years of Misery Due to Irregular Functions.

The fact that one woman is bright-eyed, rosy-cheeked, strong and cheerful, while another is pale, weak and depressed, is due more often than otherwise to the regularity in the one case and the irregularity in the other of the functions that are peculiar to the sex. When these are disturbed everything goes wrong; pain and discomfort are felt all over the body; the sensations are often terrifying.

"For four years," said Mrs. Davis recently, "I suffered indescribable misery from sick headache every month, accompanied by fainting spells, shortness of breath and severe pain in my left side. There were also bearing-down pains, at times so acute that I could not stand up, and my head was full of ringing sounds. It seemed as if everything was going to hit me in the eyes. I was compelled to lie down with closed eyes for hours to get a little relief. When I attempted to arise everything would whirl around and it would grow so dark that I could scarcely see any object."

"Couldn't your doctor help you?"

"Five doctors in all treated me, but I got no lasting benefit. Besides I used a lot of advertised remedies. The only medicine, however, that had the desired effect was Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and they are truly a godsend to women. I did not have much faith in them when I began to take them. I found myself, however, so much better after using two boxes that I began to believe in them. They checked right away the decline into which I was going. My troubles kept lessening and finally disappeared altogether."

"How long did it take for a cure?"

"After I had used several boxes my health was all right. I had taken on flesh and was strong and hearty. I feel today in spirits more like a girl of sixteen than a woman of my years."

Mrs. C. H. Davis' address is Carmel, Maine, R. F. D., No. 2. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are confidently offered to women for the cure of anemia, chlorosis, painful and irregular periods, and all forms of weakness. They are sold by every druggist.

If you can't get what you like, try to like what you get.

The giant of the whole spider family is the "hound" or "dog" spider of Madagascar. Its body weighs almost a pound, and each of its eight legs is longer and larger in diameter than the common cedar pencil.

"Chiggers and Mosquitoes"

"Are now in their glory—their business is good and they are happy. There is no earthly use of your letting them chew on you, however, if you don't like their ways. A little Hunt's Lightning Oil applied to exposed parts will keep them off, and immediately relieve the irritation caused by their bites. Rub a little on and see for yourself."

A German journalist, who has been studying the colonies in South America, notes the amusing fact that the immigrants who come as rabid socialists invariably drop all ideas about division of property as soon as they acquire some.

Superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch is taking the place of all others.

Some birds have persisted in building a nest on the levering gear near the top of a signal post at Ivydale, England, although they have been disturbed once and their nest removed. Recently an engine spark ignited the nest and burnt the signal post.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. Defiance Starch for same money.

There are some men in the world who ask nothing more than a gold watch and chain, a nice black suit of clothes, and Thursday night's lodge meeting.

An Indian chief, in an unimpassioned effort to tell something of Indian peculiarities, said: "Indian, great smoker. Smokin' great heap to laziness."—Cheyenne (Wyo.) Sun.

It Fixes You.

"Now is the summer of our discontent, made bearable by the use of Simmons' Sarsaparilla. It knocks that 'want to rest' feeling out, by stimulating impurities—making rich blood and enormous appetites."

Brussels has a school for grave-diggers. All candidates for the post of sexton to be officiate must have graduated at this school.

A MEXICAN CITY FLOODED.

Thousands of People Drowned—Water Is Two Feet Deep in Second Stories.

Mexico City, July 3.—Guanajuato is completely flooded, the water invading the higher parts of the city. The La Olla dam threatens to give way. It is feared a serious catastrophe will occur. This dispatch is from Dolores Hidalgo, to the Governor of Queretaro, and is the only direct news of what is supposed here to be a greater disaster than the flooding of Leon, in the same state, in 1888, when many lives were lost. Telephone and telegraph communication to Guanajuato are entirely severed. It is known a terrific downpour of rain occurred in that vicinity last night. Dispatches from Queretaro state that rumors are current there that enormous damage was sustained at Guanajuato, but no loss of life, as the people had sufficient warning to escape to the mountain sides before the streets were inundated. Another rumor is that La Olla dam has already gone out. If this be true, the extent of the disaster must have been appalling.

One Thousand Dead.

City of Mexico, July 3.—One thousand dead is the latest estimate of the dead at Guanajuato and vicinity. It appears certain that the dam had gone. A spur of the Central railroad, running to Marfil, was washed out, making it impossible to run trains. The only way to reach the scene is by muleback. The federal telegraph has a wire working through to the Guanajuato office, but can get no word from there, leading to the belief that the operators lost their lives.

A dispatch from the Central superintendent to President Robinson says water is three feet deep in the second story of the Union Hotel, the best hostelry at Guanajuato.

The street car line from Marfil to Guanajuato is completely destroyed and will be unable to resume operation inside of a month.

Advices to offices here are to refuse to accept express or heavy baggage.

Marfil Wiped Out.

City of Mexico, July 3.—The cloud burst at Guanajuato occurred in the southeast part of the city, flooding all the principal streets. Plaza del Cantador is six feet under water. Some of the streets are under water twenty feet deep. Some mines are partially flooded.

The town of Marfil, the terminus of

ESTEEM FO HAY.

Messages Received by Mrs. Hay and The President Tell of It.

Washington, July 3.—The high esteem in which Mr. Hay was universally held at home and abroad is manifested by the government and by Mrs. Hay since his death. They have come from sovereigns, from foreign officers, from officials in the diplomatic service and from men in public and private life throughout this country.

Acting Secretary Pierce and Chief Clerk Michael remained at the State department yesterday to receive the telegrams and cablegrams coming to the government and to receive any instructions which might come from the president. Mr. Pierce was advised that the funeral services in Cleveland will be held at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning.

E. J. Babcock, private secretary to Mr. Hay, left for Cleveland last night to attend the funeral. He carried with him a large bundle of telegrams and cablegrams addressed to Mrs. Hay, conveying expressions of deep sorrow and sympathy.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the late secretary an American flag bearing a badge of mourning has been draped over the entrance to the building occupied by the Bureau of American Republics.

Mr. Takahira, the Japanese Minister, in a communication to the State Department, conveys his expressions of grief at the loss of Secretary Hay.

Negro Prisoner Burned.

Kirbyville, Texas: A negro was arrested here at 9 o'clock last night charged with stealing. He was placed in the jail and at 11 o'clock the building was burning rapidly. The people could not put the fire out, and at 1 o'clock in the morning the charred remains of the negro were pulled from the debris.

the railroad, just below Guanajuato, is completely wiped out.

The Central northbound passenger train ran into the washout just north of Irapuato and derailed some of its coaches, which are under water. President Robinson of the Central says there were lives lost, but he can not tell how many.

It is believed here that La Olla dam was completely destroyed. During the past few years an immense amount of American and British capital has been invested in Guanajuato. The office of the Furness Company is under water to above the sill of the second story windows.

A later report says the building collapsed. This is the leading company there and influential, inducing the investment of foreign capital.

Story of the Storm.

Mexico City, July 3.—No news has been received directly from Guanajuato regarding a great flood in that important mining city, now the seat of activity by several large American and British companies. The wires were down all day Saturday and the roads were impassable.

Late tidings are that Guanajuato is completely flooded and the water is already invading the higher parts of the town, while there is fear that "La Olla" dam may give way, which would complete the general ruin.

The city is built in a great gorge in the mountains, and the streets ramble up the mountain in picturesque fashion. A storm began furiously on the night of June 30, and after midnight no one dared to go to bed, so tremendous was the fury of the elements. The water rose in the lower or business streets, flooding shops and destroying hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of merchandise. The lower streets became raging torrents as the water poured in rivers down the streets. Doors were smashed by the fury of the water and windows were no protection against the furious flood.

The authorities worked strenuously to get the people safely from their homes to the higher part of the city. The loss of property will be immense.

Advices from Queretaro are to the effect that there was no telegraphic communication with the stricken city Saturday night.

THE MEN OF PEACE.

There May Be One or Two Additional Representatives.

Oyster Bay, July 3.—Official announcement was made by President Roosevelt yesterday of the names of the Russian and Japanese envoys to the Washington peace conference. The character and ability of the men selected by both belligerents is an earnest of the desire of their respective governments to conclude, if possible, the tragedy being enacted in the Far East. The plenipotentiaries are: Russian—Ambassador Muraviev, formerly Minister of Justice and now Ambassador to Italy, and Baron Rosen, recently appointed Ambassador to the United States to succeed Count Cassini.

Japanese—Baron Komura, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Kogoro Takahira, Minister to the United States.

Port Gibson, Miss.: J. E. Reagan convicted of the murder of Jason Moody, has been sentenced to hang August 4. Both were white men and stood well in the community.

Baton Rouge, La.: The annual statement of the board of control of the penitentiary shows a net profit of \$101,739. The cost of maintenance was \$262,500, which included many improvements.

Gatesville Reunion.

Marlin, Texas: Mayor D. R. Hall and Capt. E. R. York of Gatesville have just paid Marlin a visit. These gentlemen are visiting a number of towns and cities for the purpose of creating an interest in the reunion of Confederate veterans at Gatesville on July 18 to 21.

Gonzales Business Club.

Gonzales, Texas: A Business Men's League will be organized here Monday night. A committee has canvassed the town and already 150 names have been secured for the organization.

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STONE IN PERPETUAL MOTION.

What Would Happen to Projectile Dropped Through the Earth.

Most of us have probably speculated, at one time or another, what would happen if a hole were bored right through the earth and one were to drop a stone into it; and F. R. A. S. now gives his views on this puzzling question. "The stone," he says, "would fall with increasing speed to the center of the earth, where it would have attained a speed of nearly 300 miles a minute. Its momentum would carry it at a constantly reducing speed through the remaining half of its journey until by the time it appeared at the antipodean end of the hole it would have come to a standstill. It would then begin to drop again, and would perform exactly the same journey on its return to the starting point. Thus it would continue to travel backward and forward from one end of the earth to the other practically forever."—London Tit-Bits.

"I've always pitied the poor things who have no one belonging to them. When you have got someone, why, of course, you are anxious—I don't deny that—but, then, you are not all by yourself in the world."

Trees in 1637.

Perhaps the earliest protection to trees in the colonies was in Massachusetts, for in 1637 Watertown was moved to pass a vote at town meeting "to mark the shade trees by the roadside with a 'W' and felling any person who shall fell one of the trees thus marked eighteen shillings," says Mrs. Charles F. Millsbaugh, in the Chautauquan for June, Exeter, N. H., was a close second, when in 1640, regulations were passed regarding the cutting of some oak trees. In 1793 the Massachusetts Agricultural Society offered prizes to the person who should cut the trees from the most land in three years; however, so alarming a decrease in forest area was shown by reports received at the time that the policy was speedily reversed, and prizes were offered for the planting of trees and the management of woodlots.

Modern Pictures Not Wanted.

In recent years it has become a matter of increasing difficulty for a living English artist to find a market for his wares, says the Academy. The middle classes appear to have concluded that original pictures are entirely beyond the means of persons with a moderate income, and content themselves with photographs. The wealthy, on the other hand, appear to consider picture-buying merely in the light of an investment, and all they want is a safe thing like preference stock—the established reputations.

IN COLONEL'S TOWN

Things Happen.

From the home of the famous "Keyhole Key" of Carterville, away down South, comes an enthusiastic letter about Postum:

"I was in very delicate health, suffering from indigestion and a nervous trouble so severe that I could hardly sleep. The doctor ordered me to discontinue the use of the old kind of coffee, which was like poison to me, producing such extreme disturbance that I could not control myself. But such was my love for it that I could not get my own consent to give it up for some time, and continued to suffer, till my father one day brought home a package of Postum Food Coffee.

"I had the new food drink carefully prepared according to directions, and gave it a fair trial. It proved to have a rich flavor and made a healthy, wholesome and delightful drink. To my taste the addition of cream greatly improves it.

"My health began to improve as soon as the drug effect of the old coffee was removed and the Postum Coffee had time to make its influence felt. My nervous troubles were speedily relieved and the sleep which the old coffee drove from my pillow always came to soothe and strengthen me after I had drunk Postum—in a very short time I began to sleep better than I had for years before. I have now used Postum Coffee for several years and like it better and find it more beneficial than when I first began. It is an unspeakable joy to be relieved of the old distress and sickness." Name given by Postum Company, Battle Creek, Mich.

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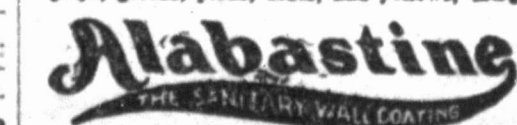
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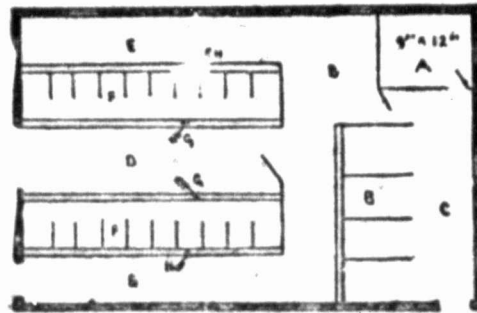
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Around the Farm

To Shelter Cows and Horses.
The accompanying plan is designed to accommodate twenty cows and two teams of horses, and to provide comfort and convenience in caring for them.

The barn is 36x56 feet, and the basement walls are 8 feet high. To build the basement walls 17 inches thick, would require 27 cords of stone, 27 yards of sand and 160 bushels of lime. A concrete floor for the basement would require 34 barrels of Portland cement and 35 yards of gravel, which should have good foundation. The wide passages are a great convenience in cleaning out in order that a horse and cart or both many



A—Box stall, 9x12 ft.; B—Horse stalls, 6x8 ft.; C—Passage 8 ft. wide behind horses; D—Feed room, also feed alley, 8 ft. wide; E—Passage 5 ft. wide behind cows; F—Cows' stalls 3 ft. 6 in. x 5 ft. 6 in.; G—Gutters 8 in. deep and 14 in. wide; H—Mangers 14 in. wide at bottom and 18 in. at the top.

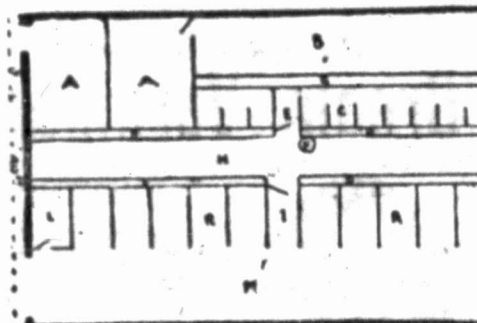
driven through. It would be well to board up the outside of the superstructure and put on battens.

A Concrete Well.

To build a concrete wall around a spring first excavate at least three feet deep to the size required, in order to have the bottom of the wall below the frost in severe weather. Then build the walls with a frost batter on the outside next to the earth, this will prevent the walls from shoving in and cracking. Make the walls fourteen inches thick at the bottom and six inches thick at the top, having the inside of the walls plumb. The concrete should be composed of six parts clean gravel to one part Portland cement. The water can be let in to the well twenty-four hours after it is completed, but if it can be kept out for a longer time it would be better. Portland cement concrete will set hard under water, so that as soon as the walls are hard enough to allow the mounds to be removed the water will not injure them.

Plan for Farm Stable.

The accompanying plan shows how a stable 40x60 feet may be divided to accommodate ten horses, ten cattle, and have two additional box stalls. The passages behind the animals are wide enough to drive through for cleaning out through doors at the ends, which are 8 feet wide. In order to have a roomy loft overhead it



A—Box stall, 10x14 ft.; B—Passage behind cows, 5 ft. wide; C—Cows' stalls, 3 ft. 6 in. x 5 ft. 6 in.; D—Mangers, 10 in. deep x 1 ft. 4 in. wide; E—Passage, 3 ft. 6 in. wide; F—Well; G—8 in. deep x 1 ft. 2 in. wide; H—Feed alley, 5 ft. wide; J—Passage, 4 ft. wide; L—Harness room; M—Passage behind horses, 9 ft. wide; R—Horse stalls, 6x8 ft.

would be well to have the posts of the building 14 or 16 feet long and put on a hipped roof.

Cement for Mortar; Draining Cellar.

In mixing cement with lime mortar, add the cement to it and use immediately as the cement will set if let stand so long before it is used. To one bushel of cement use four bushels of lime and one yard of sand. If cement mortar is used the usual proportions are one part of cement to two parts of sand.

For a cellar drain where a suitable outlet is to be had, use tile, covering the mouth of the drain with a screen to keep vermin out. Where there is a good fall there will be no difficulty in keeping the drain open, as the tile will drain out before freezing up.

Raising Water From a Lake.

To supply a small amount of water from a lake to a small ranch, a windmill would be the most economical form of power, provided the surrounding conditions are favorable, that is to say, provided the windmill can be exposed to secure sufficient force of wind. In any event the power would have to be situated at or near the lake, at any rate not more than 20 or 25 feet above the lake level. For this distance, it would be well to lay a large pipe, not less than 1½ or 2 inches. The pipe should be laid on a slope, if possible, and sharp turns should be avoided.

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Failures should be used as stepping stones to future success.

Hope for the best—prepare for the worst—and take what comes.

Cynics and pessimists have a hard row to hoe in this contrary old world.

Woman was born to love and be loved—and she fights it out on that line.

Happy is the woman who has as many changes of gowns as she has of mind.

It's surprising how much a woman can say about herself without telling anything.

Dying in poverty is easy enough; it's living in poverty that comes hard on a fellow.

The wise worm doesn't crawl out until after the early bird has eaten his breakfast.

It doesn't matter if beauty is only skin deep so long as the skin is worn on the outside.

It is only in accord with the eternal fitness of things that miss, kiss and bliss rhyme together.

It is the circumstances of men over which she has no control that is responsible for the spinster.

Out of every evil comes good. The apple Eve swiped has furnished employment to thousands of tailors and dressmakers.

It may be that ice cream is unhealthy, but the motive of the young man who tries to prove it to his girl friends is apt to be misconstrued.

WISDOM'S WHISPERS.

When some folk fall they light on velvet which is trimmed with gold.

The woman who thinks affliction will kill usually gets over it the soonest.

Men occasionally grumble at them selves in order to draw out contrary ideas.

The man who runs away from trouble does not always escape the consequences of it.

Women speak of dress reform as though they really meant to do some thing in that line.

It is very easy for a man to tell what he would do if placed in the position of some other man.

Men like to have women pay deference to their ability to detect the meaning of side remarks.

A woman has no trouble in applying to herself the situation of an oppressed heroine of fiction.

Most women like to think a husband believes all that is told him of the doings of a household.

Many a woman holds such an exalted opinion of herself that she has not time to find out what others think of her.

A man sometimes has to do a great deal of useless talking to produce an effect which opens the way for the purpose in view.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

PASTE JEWELS.

Man is nature's funny page.

Charm is the tulle bow on the collar of womankind.

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Good Lord, didst thou make us for thy angels' jester?

How many a peach hath the disposition of a lemon.

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Living in the house with an inordinately clever person is worse than a steady diet of cayenne pepper.

Crusoe-like, a woman is seized with a panic of fear when she first discovers the footsteps of a man upon her heart.

Please notify me. Opportunity, what day will you be passing my house. There are so many toots abroad and I am by nature a sucker.—New Orleans Picayune.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

It is mighty hard for a man not to like the rich father of a girl as much as he likes her.

A man thinks he is mighty charitable when he gets somebody else to give \$10 to his favorite charity.

A woman's idea of a good figure is one that her dressmaker can make so different her own husband couldn't recognize it.—New York Press.

An English physician testifying to the condition of a patient who had been struck in the back by a falling sack of corn, said he was suffering from "traumatic neurasthenia." "That is the Greek for blue funk, isn't it?" asked the opposing counsel.

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Texas Railway Earnings And Operating Expenses

Governor Sayers Sets Forth Some of the Facts in the Case which the Public is Entitled to Know.

From the annual reports of the Railroad Commission of Texas it is to be found that the gross earnings of the railroads from operation during the five years ending June 30, 1904 (cents omitted) amounted to \$292,062,326, and that their gross operating expenses aggregated \$225,798,012—the net earnings from operating being \$66,264,314, to which should be added \$3,622,544 income derived from other sources; the sum total of net income for the five years being \$69,886,859. From the net earnings are to be taken the expenditures for betterments, \$14,314,920; taxes, \$5,566,578, and rents, \$219,794—aggregating \$20,101,292. With these deductions the net revenue to the railroads from operation and all other sources for the five years referred to amounted to \$49,785,566, to be applied to interest on bonded indebtedness, floating indebtedness and dividends on capital stock. In the foregoing statement is not included \$6,571,411 which appears in Table 24 of said reports, as a net balance of credit to the income account. The item of credit is excluded from the calculation because its growth out of the adjustment of accounts, payments and expenditures on account of prior business, as to which it was not possible to accurately discriminate; besides, the item does not affect the results, as the deficit of \$14,074,455 of the railroads on June 30, 1899, is omitted from the calculation and does not appear to have been discharged either in whole or in part.

As to the gross earnings from operation, it may be observed that they are the product of freight and travel charges, the average cost to the shipper in the State of Texas during the five years for moving a ton of freight 100 miles being ninety-six and two-tenths cents; in 1904 it was ninety-four and seven-tenths cents. Though somewhat greater than the average for the United States, the cost to shippers in Texas stands about midway between the highest and lowest charges elsewhere made. This apparent higher rate for the State, I am advised, partly grows out of the immense tonnage of low grade freight handled in other territories and partly because of lack of density of traffic, which makes low rates profitable.

In 1902 the average amount paid by the shipper for moving a ton of freight 100 miles in England was \$2.05 in France, \$2.10; in Austria, \$1.50; in Germany, where most of the railroads are opened and operated by the government, \$1.84; in Russia, \$1.70, and in the United States \$0.757.

As to the operating expenses during the period, it is to be said that sixty per cent at least represents labor in various forms; that the payroll carried an average of 45,398 employees; and that the pay of labor in Texas from three to five times that in Europe or Japan.

It is not going too far to say that if the railroad companies of Texas should be so reckless and unwise, or so unjust, as to attempt to put their employees upon the same footing with the railway employees of Europe or Japan, a single wheel would not be turned or a single shop at work within twelve hours after such a reduction had been attempted.

Notwithstanding this difference in the price of wages, and also in the

They Were Giants.
Baltimore: A number of gigantic skeletons of prehistoric Indians, nearly eight feet tall, are reported to have been discovered along the banks of the Choptank river, by employees of the Maryland Academy of Science and are now at the academy building, where they are being articulated and restored. The collection comprises eight skeletons, of which some are those of women and children.

The Strickland Company Buys Plant.
Bonham: The Bonham Electric Light and Power Company's plant was sold to a Dallas firm, of which J. F. Strickland is president. The electric street car system was not included in the deal. Mr. Strickland went before the City Council and asked for a franchise for his company for a period of fifty years, which was granted. The Dallas syndicate own the light plant in Sherman, Waxahachie, Ceburne, Hillsboro and Bonham.

cost of all material that enters into the construction and maintenance of the railroads in this country, we have by far the cheapest system of such transportation in the world. From the foregoing it is to be easily seen that of the \$292,062,326, earned by the railroads during the period fully seventy five per cent, or more, was expended within this State.

It has been charged against the railroads that the operating expenses, as shown in the reports of the Railroad Commission were unduly large, and further, that the accounts presented by them to the commission were manufactured for a purpose. To this latter charge it is only necessary to say that all accounts are supported by affidavit and forwarded monthly to the Railroad Commission, and that the commission has the most ample power, under the law, to investigate and correct.

As to the freight charge, speaking from the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission for 1903, it is to be said that the rate of operating expense to gross earnings of the railroads in the United States was in that year 72.17 per cent, and of the roads within Group V, composed of East Louisiana, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, Tennessee and Kentucky, was 74.93 per cent, and that of the roads within Texas was 82.48 per cent. This difference in the proportion of operating expenses to gross earnings was the direct result of a difference in freight tonnage and passenger travel per mile. To illustrate: The average freight tonnage handled in the United States for 1903 was 855,442 tons one mile and the passenger travel was 103,291 passengers one mile, per mile of line; or the States included in Group V, as above stated, the freight tonnage was 567,616 tons, and passenger travel was 56,731, while in Texas the freight tonnage was only 425,489 tons and the passenger travel but 47,835, a difference against Texas roads of 142,127 tons and 8,896 passengers one mile per mile of line, and in favor of the railroad of Group V. This great disparity in tonnage and passenger travel in Texas for a year's business per mile of line, growing out of the lack of population and the long hauls, which produces frequent trains of light tonnage, and which are handled at the same expense as if the tonnage were greater, fully accounts for Texas' comparative high operating ratio, and is a complete answer to the unsupported and unwarranted assertion that the roads are manipulating their accounts.

He Was a Smooth Article.
New York: Charged with conducting a pool room in a synagogue in Grand street, of which he told the police he was the rabbi, Henry Jacobs has been held for trial. It was alleged by the police that, having been refused admittance on the ground that religious services were going on, they broke open the door. The walls of the synagogue, they said, were adorned with racing charts and other pool room paraphernalia.

The dates for the annual reunion of Collin County old settlers and ex-Confederates have been changed to August 16, 17 and 18, to avoid conflict with a similar event in Grayson County.

Creamery for Temple.
Temple: The movement started some time ago by the Board of Trade to secure a creamery for Temple is about to bear fruit. I. H. Boyer of Muncie, Ind., who has been investigating the merits of such an enterprise through correspondence with the Board of Trade was here last week and announced his intention of establishing a creamery in the event that enough cows can be pledged to support the enterprise.

The International and Great-Northern is increasing its shop forces at Palestine. Sixteen new men were put in the car department. All departments are busy, working ten hours a day.

Maurice Rosenfield, son of Max Rosenfield, credit manager of Sanger Bros., was drowned Wednesday, his twelfth birthday, while in swimming in a hole near Trinity River.

John Fanning, 16 years old, lost a leg in attempting to board a Katy freight train south of Waxahachie.

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"Over a year ago I wrote you a letter asking advice, as I had female ills and could not carry a child to maturity. I received your kind letter of instructions and followed your advice. I am not only a well woman in consequence, but have a beautiful baby girl. I wish every suffering woman in the land would write you for advice, as you have done so much for me."

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If you are sick, write Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., for special advice. It is free and always helpful.

A young man charged at Kingston England, with assaulting his father pleaded as a reason for the act that it was the first time he had seen his father sober.

WORK OF WICKED FLEA.

Caused Delay in Docking of Big Ocean Liner.

The flea is a small animal, but his ability to make trouble for big ships seems unlimited. The fleas which dwell on the Pacific mail liner City of Peru, arriving this morning from Panama, says a San Francisco dispatch, were particularly busy. As a result of their operations three of the passengers, Mrs. Emma Schneider and the two daughters of Louis Hirsch of Castle Bros., sought the ship's surgeon's advice.

The doctor examined small red spots with which their bodies were covered and declared that they had smallpox. The boarding surgeon shared the alarm and the ship's doctor and a tug was sent for Chief Surgeon Cummings at Angel Island. The three medical men held a consultation and to Dr. Cummings belongs the honor of finding out the secret of the fleas.

He saved the quarantine records from ridicule by declaring the passengers were afflicted with a "parasitic disease." The fleas delayed the vessel in docking the entire forenoon.

No man ever bought fortune by the sale of his friends.

Proved Beyond a Doubt.

Middlesex, N. Y., July 3.—(Special)—That Rheumatism can be cured has been proved beyond a doubt by Mrs. Betsey A. Clawson, well known here. That Mrs. Clawson had Rheumatism and had it bad, all her acquaintances know. They also know she is now cured. Dodd's Kidney Pills did it. Mrs. Clawson tells the story of her cure as follows:

"I was an invalid for most five years caused by Inflammatory Rheumatism, helpless two-thirds of the time. The first year I could not do as much as a baby could do, then I rallied a little bit and then a relapse. Then a year ago the gout set in my hands and feet. I suffered untold agony and in August, 1903, when my husband died I could not ride to the grave.

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Oscar Goodwin of Lovelady was here Sunday.

Buy straw hats from T. D. Craddock at a bargain.

Hay, bran, chops, corn and oats at F. P. Parker's.

J. M. Craddock of Dallas visited his mother here Sunday.

See our Persian white lawns. T. D. CRADDOCK.

Three pounds tomatoes 10c. at F. P. Parker's New Grocery Store.

Mosquito time is here—buy your bars from T. D. Craddock.

F. P. Parker says he has the lowest prices on groceries and hardware.

Mrs. Frank Heflin of Austin was visiting Mrs. C. W. Ellis last week.

The Frezo ice cream freezer surpasses all others. Sold by T. D. Craddock.

Homer Garrison of Palestine, but formerly of Henderson, was here Wednesday.

Mrs. J. W. Howard is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lively, at Grapeland.

Give me your next month's business and see if I can't please you. F. P. PARKER.

"I don't care if you never come back," says some people. But the Big Store wants you to call again.

You know you want a pretty dress. We know the Big Store sells them cheapest; go there during the sale.

Miss Irma Gooch of Palestine accompanied Mr. Brushard on his trip to Crockett Monday, returning in the evening.

Mrs. J. W. Bright of Trinity, a daughter of M. J. Kelley, was here to attend the funeral of her sister's child Saturday.

Delicious! Refreshing! The soda water drawn from the 20th Century fountain at

SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO'S.

Corn for Sale.

Mayes & Moore have slip-shuck corn for sale at 50 cents a bushel. Apply at First National bank.

Always Fresh.

Mike Younas always has fancy groceries, fruits, nuts and confections. Home-made candy. Phone No. 50.

Great Reduction Sale.

On Monday July 10th the Big Store will put on sale their entire line of dress goods at the greatest reduction that has ever been made on dress goods before in Houston county.

Corn Growing Fine

on a great many toes. Wear Walk Easy shoes that the Big Store sells and you won't have this crop.

C. W. Warburton, the alfalfa expert, was here this week looking after the crop being grown by Wm. Holloway under government supervision.

W. E. Robertson of Augusta was in town Saturday to meet his wife and two children who were returning from a visit to Knoxville, Tenn.

Don't fail to visit the Big Store's big dress goods sale. Commencing Monday July 10th and continuing until all summer stock is sold.

W. H. Driskill of Holly was in Crockett Monday, returning from Grapeland, where he had been on a visit, to his home, and was a pleasant caller at the COURIER office.

The Crockett ball team played at Palestine on the Fourth and was defeated by the Palestine team by a score of 8 to 4. An excursion rate was on from Crockett and fifty-four tickets were sold.

The Crockett Comedy club will produce its play at Lovelady Thursday evening. The boys played to a crowded house here Friday night and the audience was well pleased. Crockett has considerable talent in the minstrel line.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lively of Grapeland spent Sunday in Crockett as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Berry. They left Sunday night for Groveton, where they spent Monday and Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Henry. Mrs. Berry and Mrs. Henry are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lively.

For Rent.

A six-room cottage in the Bruner addition. Terms reasonable. Also a pasture of eight acres, in town, well supplied with water and grass, will rent the whole or will pasture horses or cows for one dollar a month for each. S. F. TENNEY.

The COURIER was in error last week in saying that Van Goodrum was dead. He had suffered a stroke of paralysis and was lying at the point of death, but did not die as was reported. The COURIER is glad that it was in error and that he still lives, and hopes that his recovery may be speedy and permanent.

The ball game Saturday between Palestine and Crockett resulted in a victory for the former, the score standing 9 to 1. The Crockett team desires the assistance and patronage of the public to the end that new uniforms may be bought and other expenses met. The team is at considerable expense and has little revenue.

Frances Phillips.

Frances, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Phillips, died at Wichita Falls, Texas, June 30, 1905, at age of seven months and twelve days, supposedly of a congestive chill. The remains were brought to Crockett and, after funeral services conducted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Kelley by Rev. S. F. Tenney, interred in Glenwood cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Phillips went recently to Wichita Falls, Texas, to visit the parents of the former, and Mr. Phillips had just returned to his home in Groveton, leaving his family at Wichita Falls for a week's rest and recuperation, when he received the telegram announcing his baby's death.

People already think you are a fool, and you have to show them to make them think otherwise.

RESULT OF COURIER'S CONTEST.

Miss Ella Goodwin Gets Choice of Scholarships and John Barry Second.

The last votes in the COURIER's scholarship contest were received Friday night, and all votes received from the beginning to the end were counted Saturday morning by a committee composed of J. W. Brightman and H. J. Phillips. Following is the certificate of the committee:

We have this day counted the votes in the COURIER's scholarship contest and find the votes as follows:

Ella Goodwin.....	2950
John Barry.....	1300
Irving Ellis.....	1225
Pearl Goodwin.....	850
J. R. Connor.....	400

J. W. BRIGHTMAN,
H. J. PHILLIPS,
Committee.

There were two scholarships offered and the one receiving the highest number of votes was to have choice of the two, which fell to Miss Ella Goodwin. The second fell to John Barry, he receiving the next highest number. Miss Ella is a daughter of Mr. J. W. Goodwin of Creek and the other successful contestant is the son of Mr. Pat Barry of Crockett.

Letter to F. M. Campbell, Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir: There are several ways of cheating in milk. An old-fashioned way is to water it. Nobody waters it now. A better way is to take out the cream—rich milk with the cream taken out is as good as poor milk with its cream all in.

But we needn't go into particulars. You don't rob your milk and your customers.

Paint is as easy as milk to cheat with. Good paint is as rare as good milk; for human nature is much the same in milk men and paint men.

You are just and true with your milk; so are we with our paint. Devoe lead and zinc is twice as good as mixed paints. There's twice as much butter in it.

Mr. J. T. Ladd, Cheraw, S. C., writes: "When Mr. Evans painted his house with Devoe, he figured on how other paints covered and had enough left to paint three large rooms. He was so pleased that he has used Devoe on two other houses."

Yours truly,
F. W. DEVOE & CO.,
New York.

S. L. Murchison sells our paints

CHOLERA INFANTUM.

Child Not Expected to Live from One Hour to Another, but Cured by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

Ruth, the little daughter of E. N. Dewey of Agnewville, Va., was seriously ill of cholera infantum last summer. "We gave her up and did not expect her to live from one hour to another," he says. "I happened to think of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and got a bottle of it from the store. In five hours I saw a chance for the better. We kept on giving it and before she had taken the half of one small bottle she was well." This remedy is for sale by S. L. Murchison.

One Dollar Saved Represents ten Dollars Earned.

The average man does not save to exceed ten per cent of his earnings. He must spend nine dollars in living expenses for every dollar saved. That being the case he cannot be too careful about unnecessary expenses. Very often a few cents properly invested, like buying seeds for his garden, will save several dollars outlay later on. It is the same in buying Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It costs but a few cents, and a bottle of it in the house often saves a doctor's bill of several dollars. For sale by S. L. Murchison.

Money to Loan.

We Buy and Sell Real Estate.
List Your Land With Us.

Fire Insurance Written in Best Companies.

WARFIELD BROTHERS,
Office Over J. E. Monk's Store

In Honor of a Fair Visitor.

Mrs. J. W. Howard entertained Wednesday afternoon with a forty-two party on the porch of Hotel Howard in honor of Miss Pearl Frazer of Lampasas, Miss Margaret Foster's guest. The guests arrived at five o'clock and the progressive game was engaged in until seven. A crowd of girls never spent a more delightful afternoon. Misses Evy Hail and Lena Bromberg were the fortunate winners of the prizes. Ices and wafers were served, after which the girls reluctantly took their leave.

Mrs. C. C. Stokes and Miss Annie Stokes gave a most beautiful luncheon at 9 o'clock Thursday morning in honor of Miss Pearl Frazer. The cozy little home of Mrs. Stokes was beautifully decorated with palms and cut flowers. The score cards for the progressive game of whist which was enjoyed from 9 to 11 were hand-painted roses. The girls were all seated on cushions and used cushions for tables. A delightful luncheon of three courses was served, which displayed Mrs. Stokes' art at fixing dishes. Miss Frazer and Miss Hortense LeGory won the prizes, beautiful pictures done in water colors by Miss Annie Stokes' skilled hands. The morning was delightfully spent and we hope ere long to have another such affair so enjoyable.

Mrs. R. E. McConnell entertained very pleasantly with a lawn party last Friday afternoon in honor of Miss Pearl Frazer of Lampasas, who is the guest of Miss Margaret Foster. Rugs, pillows and dot plants enhanced the attractiveness of Mrs. McConnell's beautiful lawn. A color scheme of green and white was maintained throughout in decorations, accessories to the games, refreshments and prizes. Whist was the game for the afternoon, Miss Frazer winning the guest prize, Miss Annie Stokes the first prize and Miss Emily Smith consolation. This entertainment, as well as all former entertainments of Mrs. McConnell's, was such as to establish a reputation for originality and cleverness on the part of the hostess.

Mrs. C. L. Edmiston entertained very beautifully Saturday afternoon and evening in honor of Mrs. F. E. Ripley of Taylor and Miss Pearl Frazer of Lampasas. A drive was the first feature of the entertainment after which the party, consisting of Miss Frazer and Mr. Frank Edmiston, Miss Annie Stokes and Mr. Arch Baker, Miss Evy Hail and Mr. Dave Nunn, Miss Leela Warheld and Mr. Jim Young, Miss Margaret Foster and Mr. Jas. F. Downes and Mrs. Ripley, retired to the lovely home of Mrs. Edmiston where dinner was served at 8:30 o'clock. After this progressive forty-two was played, Miss Evy Hail and Mr. Dave Nunn being the fortunate winners of the prizes. So pleasantly was the evening spent that the wee small hours of Sunday were creeping in before the young men said good-night and took their leave, the young ladies being invited to spend the night.

Shoo Fly at T. D. Craddock's.

The Power to Please.

The power to please is a tremendous asset. What can be more valuable than a personality which always attracts, never repels? It is not only valuable in business, but also in every field of life. It makes statesmen and politicians, it brings clients to the lawyer and patients to the physician. It is worth everything to a clergyman. No matter what career you enter you cannot overestimate the importance of cultivating that charm of manner, those personal qualities, which attract people to you. They will take the place of capital or influence. They are often a substitute for large amount of hard work.

Some men attract business, customers, clients, patients, as naturally as magnets attract particles of steel. Everything seems to point their way, for the same reason that the steel particles point toward the magnet,—because they are attracted.

Such men are business magnets. Business moves toward them, even when they do not apparently make half so much effort to get it as the less successful. Their friends call them "lucky dogs." But if we analyze these men closely, we find that they have attractive qualities. There is usually some charm of personality about them that wins all hearts.—O. S. Marden in Success.

"Don't attempt to ask the editor to write up or rebuke every evil to the town and community," says an exchange. But when convinced that such duties need attending to, write an article for your paper and sign your name for publication. The man who is too big a coward to thus express an opinion is the man who will stand on the street corner and talk about the cowardice of the editor.—El Campo News.

An advertising campaign intelligently planned and persistently followed will, in due time, result in an established position on the market for your goods. In fact, in time your name or trademark can be made the most valuable of all your assets.—Modern Methods.

Treat your Kidneys for Rheumatism.

When you are suffering from rheumatism, the kidneys must be attended to at once so that they will eliminate the uric acid from the blood. Foley's Kidney Cure is the most effective remedy for this purpose. R. T. Hopkins, of Polar, Wis., says, "After unsuccessfully doctoring three years for rheumatism with the best doctors, I tried Foley's Kidney Cure and it cured me. I cannot speak too highly of this great medicine." Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

Buy it Now.

Now is the time to buy Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is certain to be needed sooner or later and when that time comes you will need it badly—you will need it quickly. Buy it now. It may save life. For sale by S. L. Murchison.

A. R. Bass, of Morgantown, Ind., had to get up ten or twelve times in the night, and had a severe backache and pains in the kidneys. Was cured by Foley's Kidney Cure. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

THE COURIER

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor

Publisher's Notice.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks or other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5 cents per line. Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

We hear of one tobacco crop in the county that was seriously injured by the heavy rains of last week.

The tobacco crop of Houston county will not be shipped to Nacogdoches as was stated last week, but will be cured in the barns for delivery to the buyers at Crockett.

The tobacco crop comes on earlier than cotton and is more easily cultivated. Fifteen cents a pound is a low price for the grade Crockett produces, but it will do for a starter.

An authority on tobacco says that Crockett grows a better grade than any other place in the state. He has tried cigars made from tobacco grown here and elsewhere, and says that the Crockett brand is unsurpassed.

Some very fine wrapper tobacco has been grown in and around Crockett this year. That grown by the Crockett Cigar company is said to be superior to any in the state and some outside growers have a wrapper tobacco of a pronounced high-grade. There is more money in wrappers than fillers when properly handled, tobacco experts tell us.

The COURIER was mistaken in saying last week that all the tobacco grown under government supervision in Houston county had been contracted for at 15 cents a pound. Some of it has, but not all. The Crockett Cigar company will be in the market for some of the crop as well as other buyers. Some growers who have not entered into the contract say they will not take 15 cents for their tobacco.

Gonzales Inquirer: Washington experts say Texas is the best tobacco-filler growing state in the country. Texas wrappers show up the best of any in the country also.

A year ago the experts talked in whispers when they discussed the Texas tobacco. The reason was that in experimenting with it they were astonished to find that quality which had been produced, and were just a little afraid to give their opinion, since it might be called extravagant. The Soils Bureau had announced that in certain parts of the State soil was to be found almost identical with that which grew the very finest tobacco in Cuba. Then the department set its scientific men to producing it to ascertain what would be the result. After the tobacco had been subjected to all the treatment necessary for filler tobacco the experts examined it again and pronounced it as good as the Cuban filler. But it had not, up to a short time ago, been submitted to the crucial test, that is, the smoker; and the department expressed its determination to withhold its opinion till the smoker expressed his opinion by a continual purchasing of cigars. The cigars are now on the market, and in a few months their popularity will be determined. If the smoker is pleased, then the tobacco lands of the State will be very high in value and the industry of raising tobacco will grow to large proportions. It all depends on the smoker. The tobacco might

be the very best in all the world, but in value would not be worth a cent if it can not be sold. And the smoker buys.—Galveston News.

Our editor is in receipt of an inquiry about whether another paper could be made to pay in Tyler. Of course it could. The two which are here now pay—they have to or starve. Nobody is helping them along for charity's sake, but these papers are helping many others along for charity's sake. Pay? Of course a new paper would pay, before it got out an issue. And it ought to pay. There is no intelligent excuse why it should not pay, and pay promptly and constantly.—Tyler Courier.

The newspaper or individual who does not pay, and pay promptly, may fly high and flourish for awhile at the expense of the public, but unless they pay the end will soon come and then another community is victimized. Time was when a newspaper depended largely upon its ability to owe people in order to get their patronage, but that time is past and gone and now newspapers must pay just like other people. At least that is the Tribune's experience.—Lufkin Tribune.

They are going to have a local option election in the Calvert locality, and with it will come the usual heat. They have had 'em there before, and consequently the newspaper man knows what is in them for him. The Courier-Chronicle wants all parties to understand exactly how it stands at the outset, and thus notifies the public:

The Courier shall have nothing to say on the question during this campaign, but its columns will be open to both sides at 5c per line, for matter that is clean and without personalities, and we sincerely hope that it will be fought in a manner that will not create hard feelings, but rather remove some that were engendered by the last campaign.

So mote it be.—Galveston News.

Some sections of East Texas are now shipping car loads of fine tomatoes. In these same sections other crops are probably hurt as bad by wet weather as they are here. It is the variety of money crops that make a farmer safe in all seasons.—Upsher County Echo.

In the sections mentioned a crop of berries has already been sold. In the same section the peaches are beginning to go to market. In the same section the cotton will come later on. And all in all, in that section they have the money and will have it during the year, and credit is not forced on the people. Hence, they are doing well.—Dallas News.

The father who has walked the floor with his babe of tender age and who has kept it up till the infant was satisfied can understand what is meant by the expression so often quoted: "And a little child shall lead them." He does not have to get any commentary in order to see what the meaning of the expression is.—Terrell Transcript.

Texas Has

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More cattle and better cattle than any other state in the Union.

More coal fields than can be found in the state of Pennsylvania.

Two Bottles Cured Him.

"I was troubled with kidney complaint for about two years," writes A. H. Davis, of Mt. Sterling, Ia., "but two bottles of Foley's Kidney Cure effected a permanent cure." Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

When Other Medicines Have Failed Take Foley's Kidney Cure. It has cured when everything else has disappointed. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

Wayside Observations.

Almost every man thinks he is a born boss.

When a man gets tight his tongue gets loose.

A star boarder is one who always pays in advance.

Where there is much smoke there is not much fire.

Snakes and woman's age are two things to—tell the truth about.

Some people seem to think that religion and business will not mix.

A running account is one that the bill collector runs around with.

Sometimes the forecaster is constrained to think that the weather is very contrary.

Some men remain respectable solely because they have a reputation for being so.

Some women give social functions because there are others in their set who can't.

Some scorchers think the car of progress is an automobile and that they are running the universe.

Don't hope to meet your ideal, sister. You wouldn't recognize him if you did.—Dallas News.

Sound kidneys are safeguards of life. Make the kidneys healthy with Foley's Kidney Cure. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

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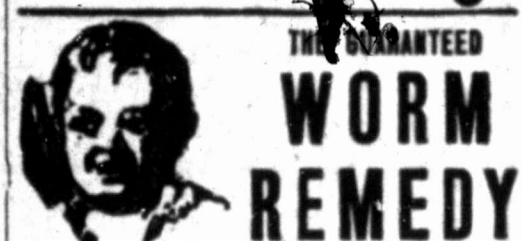
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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Short Notice

I take great pleasure in announcing to the long suffering people of Crockett and Houston County, that after hard pressed and persistent solicitations from my friends, I have at last consented to re-enter the saloon business and have bought out the entire stock, lock and barrel, of the Elk Saloon at Palestine, heretofore owned by Mr. J. M. Pool, situated on 410 Spring street, near the I. & G. N. depot and directly opposite the Pacific Express Company's building, and will be hereafter known as Hyman's Saloon.

I propose to handle a full line of the best brands of whiskies and ask all my friends to call on me when in Palestine.

Yours truly,

HYMAN HARRISON,
Proprietor Hyman's Saloon.

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The I. & G. N. R. R. has many fast trains through Texas, traversing the greater portion of the State, and reaching nearly all of the large cities, affording travelers every convenience and comfort to be found on a modern railroad. High-class equipment and power, reasonable schedules, splendid dining stations, Pullman Buffet sleeping cars, and courteous agents and train attendants.

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